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SUBJECT:SMITHSONIAN/SFCP: TRAVEL TICKETS FOR SECRETARY  
RIPLEY

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FOR SCIENCE ATTACHE AND FISCAL OFFICER

1. TRAVEL SCHEDULE DETAILS FOR SECRETARY AND MRS. RIPLEY  
GIVEN IN REFTEL.

2. THEY BOTH CARRY TICKETS FOR ENTIRE TRIP INCLUDING  
INTERNAL TRAVEL IN INDIA WHICH PURCHASED HERE IN DOLLARS.  
HOWEVER, INTERNAL INDIAN TRAVEL FOR SECRETARY RIPLEY HIMSELF  
SHOULD BE COVERED BY SEPARATE TICKET ISSUED IN NEW DELHI  
AND PAID FOR BY EMBASSY IN RUPEES.

3. SMITHSONIAN REQUESTS EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING

RUPEE TICKETS FOR SECRETARY AND CONFIRMING ALL FLIGHTS FOR  
SECRETARY AND MRS. RIPLEY.

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4. SECRETARY AND MRS. RIPLEY WILL FLY NEW DELHI TO AGRA  
FEBRUARY 9 WITH AUDUBON GROUP WHICH FURNISHING TICKETS AND

ARRANGING BOOKING. BOTH RIPLEYS RETURNING AGRA TO NEW  
DELHI FEBRUARY 12 SEPARATE FROM AUDUBON GROUP ON TICKETS  
FURNISHED BY AUDUBON. ALSO RETURNING AGRA TO NEW DELHI  
ON SAME FLIGHT FEBRUARY 12 WILL BE DR. SALIM ALI, RESEARCH  
COLLABORATOR OF SECRETARY RIPLEY, AND EMBASSY REQUESTED  
CONFIRM THREE SEATS.

5. SECRETARY AND MRS. RIPLEY, ACCOMPANIED BY DR. SALIM  
ALI, FLYING NEW DELHI TO NAGPUR FEBRUARY 13. DR. ALI'S  
TICKET MAY BE PURCHASED IN RUPEES UNDER MISCELLANEOUS  
ITEMS MENTIONED SEPTEL ON RIPLEY'S DISBURSEMENTS.  
EMBASSY REQUESTED OBTAIN RUPEE TICKETS FOR SECRETARY  
RIPLEY AND DR. ALI, AND CONFIRM ALL THREE RESERVATIONS.

6. SECRETARY AND MRS. RIPLEY FLYING NAGPUR TO KATHMANDU  
VIA CALCUTTA FEBRUARY 24. EMBASSY REQUESTED OBTAIN  
RUPEE TICKET FOR SECRETARY RIPLEY AND CONFIRM BOTH SEATS.  
DR. ALI WILL NOT ACCOMPANY THEM BEYOND NAGPUR.

7. SECRETARY RIPLEY'S TICKET FOR INTERNAL TRAVEL WAS  
PAID HERE IN DOLLARS ONLY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE  
CONVENIENCE AND SUBSEQUENT REIMBURSEMENT POSSIBLE IN  
DOLLARS. THEREFORE, EMBASSY REQUESTED COVER PAYMENT  
INTERNAL TICKETS FOR SECRETARY RIPLEY AND DR. ALI IN  
RUPEES CHARGEABLE APPROPRIATION 33X0102 (TRAVEL  
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